

Remarks

The applicant has amended claim 15 to include the subject matter of allowable claim 16.

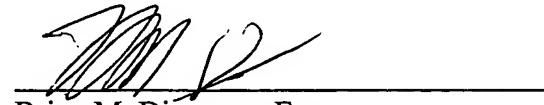
Claim 15 is thus allowable. The remaining claims all depend upon claim 15, and thus are also allowable. For the examiner's use in reviewing the new claims, the following is a list of original claim numbers and the numbers of corresponding new claims:

- New claim 20 corresponds to original claim 1
- New claim 21 corresponds to original claim 3
- New claim 22 corresponds to original claim 4
- New claim 23 corresponds to original claim 6
- New claim 24 corresponds to original claim 7
- New claim 25 corresponds to original claim 8
- New claim 26 corresponds to original claim 10
- New claim 27 corresponds to original claim 11
- New claim 28 corresponds to original claim 12
- New claim 29 corresponds to original claim 13
- New claim 30 corresponds to original claim 14

Accordingly, all the claims are allowable. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

If for any reason this Response is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned in Westborough, Massachusetts, (508) 898-1501.

Respectfully submitted,



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